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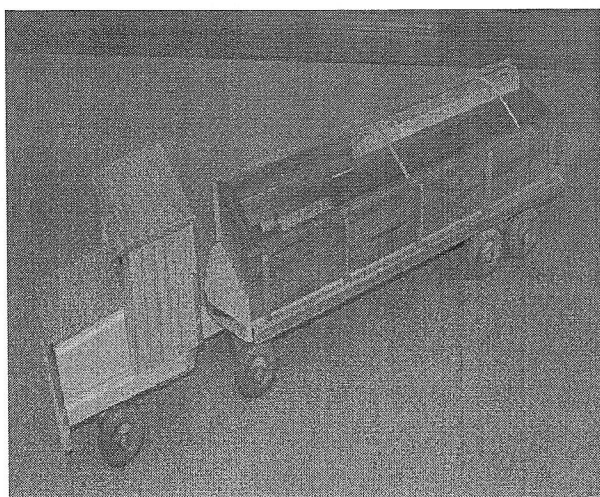
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## **PREZ SEZ**

**BY KEN KOOSER**

First let me wish you all the very best of Holiday greetings. This is my twelfth PrezSez article. Since it is December, I'm making a list! Not for Santa, although I hope I've been nice, but a list of who I think would make great Club President. Being Club President is fun, takes a little time, but is very rewarding. It has been my observation that in the second year of consecutive terms some presidential attention to details goes "south". I don't know what you (the club) will do at the December meeting elections. Since no one has volunteered (at the time of this writing) I will continue to chair the meetings and the board meetings. It is my thoughts that the president should have served on the board. I think it is best when the Vice President accedes to President. That means that you give the club three years of service. Several on this years board have given more than three years. I've said before that I am willing to continue to serve the club, just not as your president. I enjoy doing some of the things and would like to continue doing some of the things. I just don't want to get bored or become boring. So many people work hard for the club and give in many ways. The slight recognition I gave in January is all I've seen in my five years with the club. Here's my list of who I'd think would be great as Club President 2003: Brent Brown; Bart Propst, Jim Robinson, Andy Robertson, John Gay, Michael Kelly. I've asked these guys and have been turned down, why don't you ask them?



**Above: The winner of the November competitive Show & Tell session was Marcus Brun, who made this fantastic eighteen wheeler. The truck was finished with mineral oil.**

### **New members:**

The following people joined our club in November. Please extend a warm welcome to:

**Louis Rychlik**

**Carl Matthews**

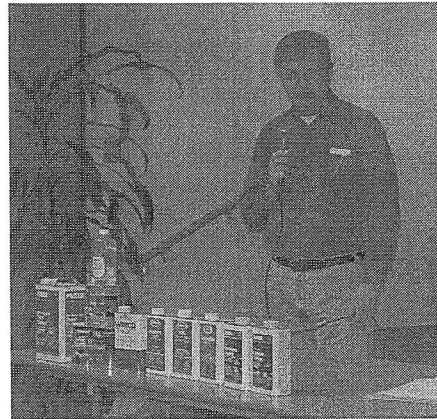
**Norman Stutts**

**Avi Ben-Ora**

## NOVEMBER PROGRAM ---

# JACK HUTCHISON

(Right:) Jack shows meeting attendees some samples of shop chemicals that woodworkers keep in their shop.



At the November meeting, current board member Jack Hutchison gave an informative talk on the use of shop chemicals. Here are some tips:

### A. Shellac

- 1.—don't shake shellac
- 2.—okay to use on wood which will touch food
- 3.—good for a final finish as well as a sealer and base

### B. Acetone and Melz is good for cleanup

### C. Turpentine

- 1.— good for cutting varnish
- 2.—20% plus polyerothane is a good mix

### D. Lacquer thinner

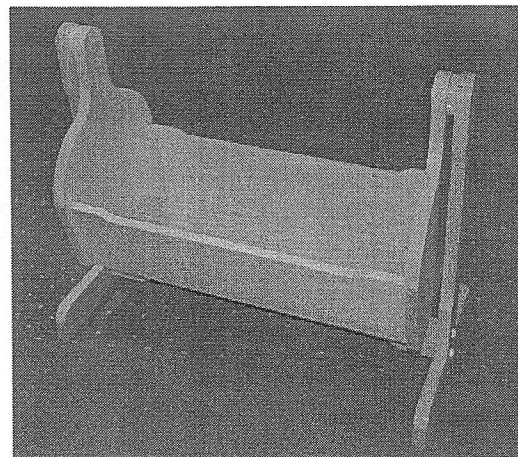
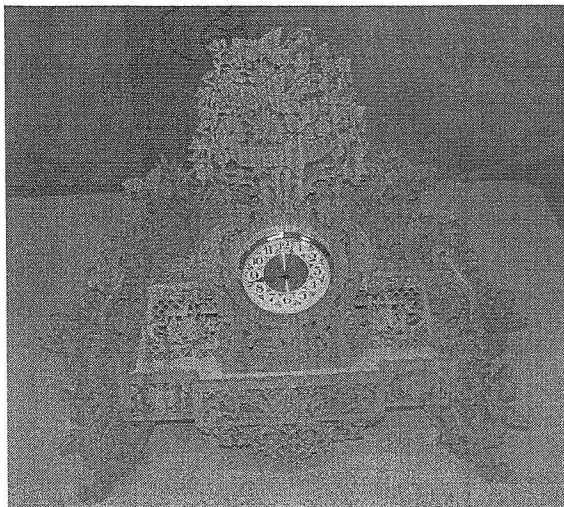
- 1.— better for cleaning brushes than paint thinner except natural bristles

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the January issue will be Monday, December 30. If you have anything that you would like to submit to the newsletter, please do so by that day. If you have any questions, please call Justin Kelly.

Note: Submissions for the newsletter must be in computer format (no hard copies, please).

**Below: This fabulous clock was made from red oak and scrollsawn by Lee Knekow.**



**Above: Glen Edwards made this seemingly simple, yet beautiful doll cradle out of poplar.**

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### REMINDER!!

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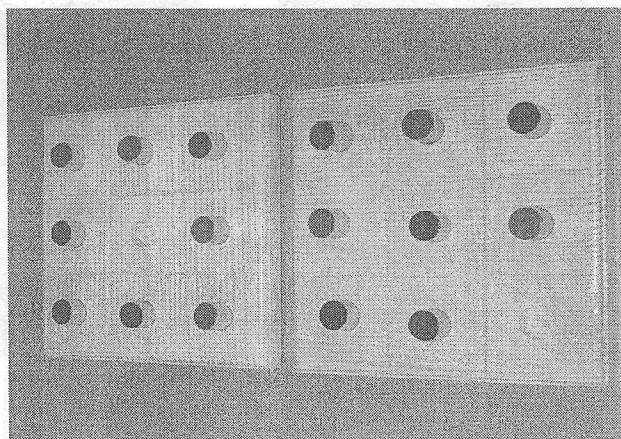
Renewing members in  
December: \$24.

New members in  
December: \$2.



### Upcoming Programs

For our final program of the year, Rusty Byrley from Nacogdoches will be our speaker. He is going to bring several jigs and fixtures, including jigs for cutting ovals and elliptical forms. This program promises to be very well attended and informative. Be sure to attend!!!



Above: Marcus Brun made these two tic-tac-toe games out of pine and some painted dowels.

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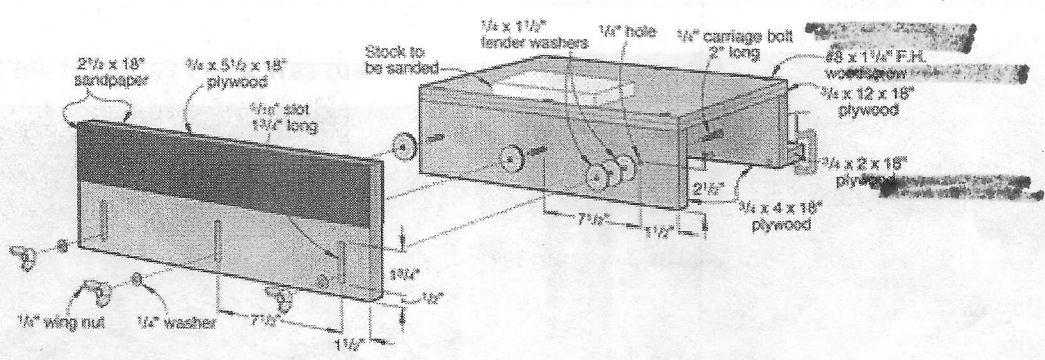
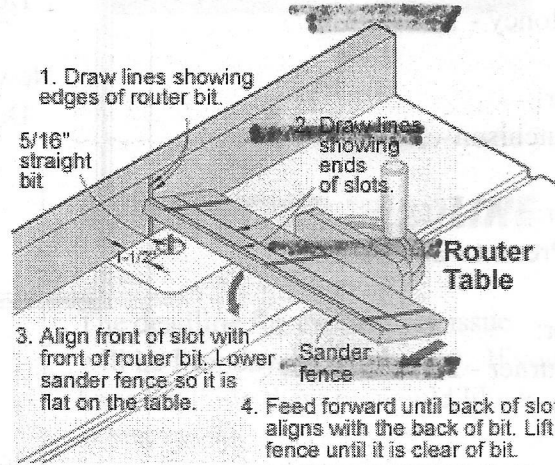
# EDGE SANDER

Sanding by hand often turns what should have been a crisp edge into one that's rounded and uneven. Reader Phil Otanicar says such round-overs are especially noticeable on the small projects he likes to make. Instead of spending money on a power edge sander, he designed a manual edge sander that clamps to his workbench.

The 12x18" platform supports the piece while you guide it against sandpaper attached to a fence. Three slots in the fence let you slide it up and down to expose fresh sandpaper as needed. Coarse paper is mounted on one side of the fence; the other side has finer paper. Sawdust falls into the space between the fence and platform.

Make the fence first, routing the slots as shown in the four steps of the drawing, **right**. Rout each slot in three passes—the first about 1/4" deep, and each of the others about 1/4" deeper than the one before. The fence should be symmetrical, so rout both end slots with the router fence and bit at the same setting. When you've finished the end slots, measure carefully, and reset the fence to rout the center slot. Once you've finished routing, lay out carriage-bolt holes in the platform using the slots as a guide. Apply a coat of gel varnish to protect the wood and reduce friction.

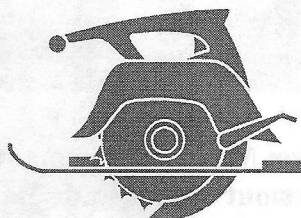
We bought 2-1/2x180" rolls of pressure-sensitive adhesive sandpaper, cut 18" lengths, and stuck them to the fence. These rolls are available in 80-320 grit from Supergrit. Call 800/822-4003 for a catalog.



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## Want/For Sale

1. In December, we will have a silent auction for a Makita Chop Saw for sale to the highest bidder.



**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS &  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

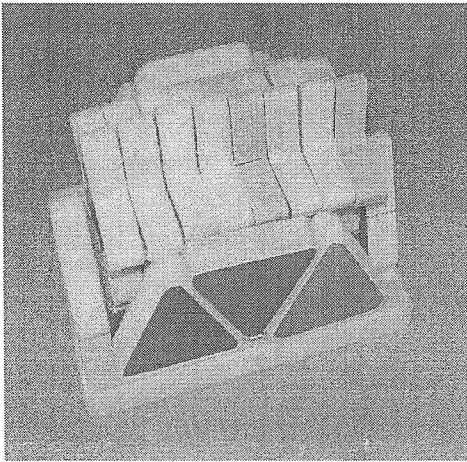
## **SEMINAR UPDATE!**

Due to the light turnout at the last monthly meeting we will have another sign-up session at the December meeting for those who want to take advantage of the seminars being offered by other members.

Through the efforts of Alan Bachrach, Al Morrow, Ken Kooser and others items for our picnic raffle and items were furnished by the following:

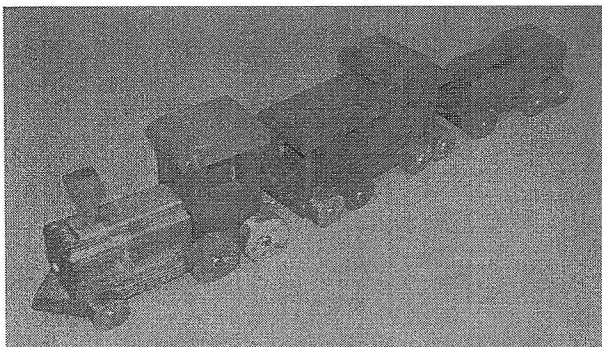
<b>The Cutting Edge</b>	<b>Porter Cable</b>	<b>Circle Saw, Inc.</b>
<b>Home Depot (Conroe)</b>	<b>Emerson Electric (Rigid tools)</b>	
<b>Makita Tools</b>	<b>Bosch Tools</b>	<b>Hitachi Tools</b>
<b>Grizzly Tools</b>	<b>Home Depot (Fry Road)</b>	

Lets all make an effort to patronize these firms. Be sure to tell them you are a member of The Woodworkers Club of Houston, and thank them for their support!



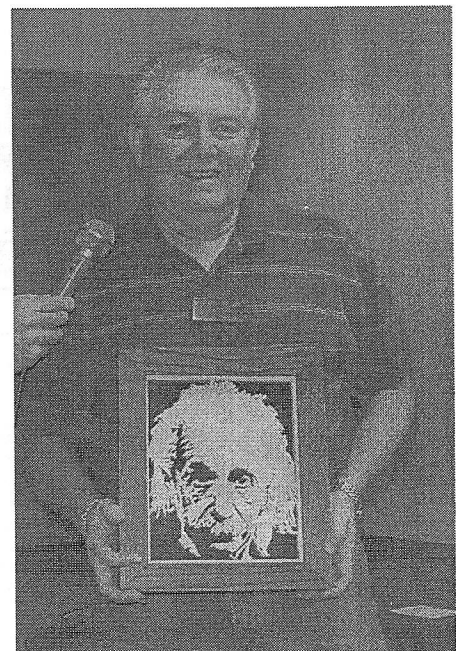
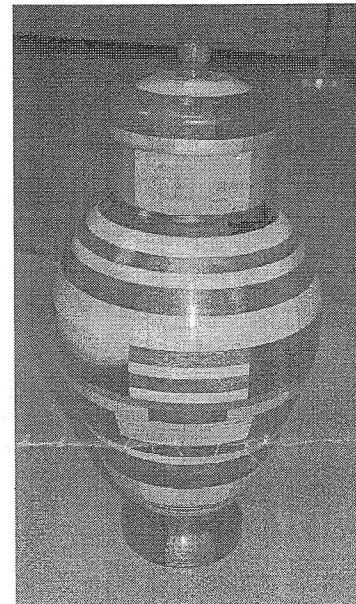
**Above: Paul Koury made these stackable velcro shapes from baltic birch plywood.**

**Below: Paul also made this toy train out of pine and stained with dark walnut.**

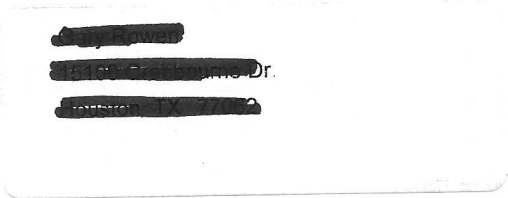
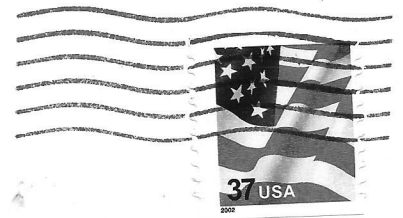


**Right: This Albert Einstein face was scrolled by Adolph Morales. The face is made of pine and the frame from red oak. Excellent work, Adolph!**

**Right: Lewis Valette made this segmented urn from scrap wood. Lewis said that the urn is not for him (the club is glad of this - we're not ready for him to go just yet!)**



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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR DECEMBER:**

12/14/02 - Meeting at the Bayland  
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(Election of 2003 Officers to take place)

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